Letters to the Editor ...

Surviving HIV/AIDS Dogma

Dear Duncan: Continuing in the vein of Steven Keller's letter (vol. 10, no. 3), I would like to share my experience of the AIDS dogma within the NHS.

Due to the fact that my late partner had the misfortune to be given an HIV diagnosis/death sentence in the early 1990s, I read extensively on the subject and found the dissidents (the Eleopulos Perth group, et al.) to be the most convincing in their assertion that the whole thing is a big con—that HIV has never been isolated and that there are multiple contributors to the condition of immunosuppression, none of which can be pinpointed to a single virus (see http://www.virusmyth.com/aids/ tour/index.htm).

Sadly, I was never able to completely convince my partner of the truth: that he wasn't really doomed to die within two years, as his doctors predicted. But he was torn between the two opinions, and in his mind the doctors carried more weight. Whenever he got sick, which rarely happened due to his excellent constitution, they would insist it was the HIV, for which there was only one treatment on offer: combination therapy. I witnessed the relentless pressure he was under to take these drugs from the doctors, hungry for backhanders from the pharmaceutical companies, and it was a constant battle as they tried all kinds of tricks.

Although he never gave in to their push for treatment, and was, for the most part, saved from the ravages of AZT, he did give in to the solace of alcohol, basically drinking himself to his death three months ago. But even as he was on his last legs in hospital with sclerosis of the liver, his doctors refused to ease up on their pressure, and after explaining to me that his system was in such a delicate state that any introduction of heavy drugs may be enough to tip him over the edge, they proceeded to do exactly that. Two days after they began the combination therapy he was unconscious, and two days later he was dead. It was shockingly sudden.

This unflinching attitude towards HIV/AIDS is so entrenched throughout the system that the countless dissident experts who have put themselves on the line by questioning the validity of the equation have been ignored or discredited, while the true causes of the illness are left unexplored.

But the pharmaceutical/medical professions are not the only culprits in this scam; the media play a vital role in manipulating opinion and perpetuating the lies. You just have to look at the way bin Laden was vilified and quickly blamed for 9/11 to realise how easily a story/scapegoat/hypothesis can miraculously become accepted "fact". Added to this is the hysteria of the AIDS activist groups, demanding their right to treatment regardless of efficacy, intensifying the message. This is where protesters need to be extremely careful as to how their seemingly just cause fits into the grand scheme of things.

In hearing about President Mbeki's brave stance against the powers that be and against those calling for him to subject his poverty-stricken, malnourished population to toxic killer drugs while acquiring a multibilliondollar debt in the process, I was hopeful that the AIDS scam might soon be exposed. However, my optimism soon dwindled when he was forced to back down and publicly deny that he'd ever questioned AIDS dogma. My heart goes out to all those poor, misinformed people who will now have to watch their loved ones needlessly die, as I did.

Finally, I'd like to end on the subject of my own health. Thanks to C. Brough (vol. 10, no. 2), I was reminded of your article on poisonous plastics, and I am wondering if this may

be the cause of my long-term swollen glands. Eliminating plastics from the diet, however, is not so easy, and I wonder if any of your London readers could possibly help me source healthy food, especially dairy products such as milk/yoghurt which are not packaged in plastic. Thanks.

Sincerely,

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EMR Health Effects

Dear Duncan: I have subscribed to your magazine for some time and have a passionate interest in the perceived adverse health effects of electromagnetic radiation. The last issue [vol. 10, no. 5] contained a number of letters on this subject, and I comment on some of them as follows:

- 1. Fluorescent lighting problems: I agree with the importance of using full-spectrum tubes in all fluorescent lighting; however, if fish are affected by nearby television sets, spare a thought for the effects that electric pumps and oxygen generators within the tanks are having. Fields in excess of 1,000 milligauss are common and they are a good 10 times stronger than the field from any TV set!
- 2. Dangers of high-voltage (HV) lines: I sympathise with Bonny Bauer and the loss of her husband from leukaemia and I agree with her concerns regarding HV transmission lines. Nevertheless, while there would be numbers of people too close to these lines, there are many more people who are subjected to much greater fields within their average suburban house. This is particularly true for people with off-peak electric hot water systems who sleep directly across the wall from their electricity meter box.

The research of Professor Dennis Henshaw has attracted a lot of attention, but it is unlikely that the same effects exist in Australia. As I understand his research, it related to much higher voltage lines than we have here, in more polluted areas and subject to prevailing winds predominantly in the one direction. His research suggests danger zones as large as 300 metres from the lines. In my experience in Australia, the danger zone is rarely larger than 70 metres and frequently less, and the radiation is non-ionising.

Incidentally, the UK NRPB has never been in a hurry to suggest any links between EMR and adverse health effects.

While it is tempting to criticise our governments for abrogating all duty of care, it is not appropriate in this instance. ARPANSA has convened a working group to produce a standard for magnetic and electric fields in the frequency range 0 to 3 kHz. This includes our frequency for electricity distribution of 50 Hz (60 Hz in USA... they love to be different).

I am the community representative on this working group and I assure you we will be reviewing all relevant research. We have had three meetings so far this year, with at least another two planned. At the conclusion of our deliberations, the community will be given an opportunity to comment. I will keep you advised of this. For those that are interested, we will soon display a list of all relevant research papers on the **ARPANSA** website. Suggestions for additional inclusions would be appreciated.

In addition, as a result of persistent lobbying by the EMR Association of Australia and others, ARPANSA has produced an "Electromagnetic Radiation Health Complaints Register" to give us all an opportunity of advising the agency of any adverse health effects we may have experienced from electromagnetic radiation, whether from power lines or mobile phones. Copies are available from its website, http://www.

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Bonny, your participation in this survey is essential. Tell them about your experiences as a canary! I hope other readers will respond, too. The survey is not limited to Australia.

3. Radiation from light ballasts: I'm sorry, but the ballasts of fluorescent lights only operate at a power frequency of 50 or 60 Hz and do not generate radiofrequency radiation. The radiofrequency is more likely adjacent to the ends of the tubes near the cathodes. The fields from the ballasts can be of great concern for a distance of about two feet, but they are not radiofrequency.

Thank you for your reference to the EMR Association of Australia and our quarterly newsletter. We have tried to keep it as factual as we can and we are always looking for new subscribers. The editor, Lyn McLean, is also the author of Watt's the Buzz?, a good book for those wanting to have an allround knowledge of the subject of electromagnetic radiation in its many forms.

Best regards,

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Media Makeover on Liberia

Dear Duncan: A remarkable thing happened to me on August 11, 2003, around 9.00 to 9.30 am while I was watching CNN news. They decided to go to their reporter in Liberia and broadcast Liberian President Charles Taylor's departing speech live.

President Taylor, a "dictator" (dubbed by the corporate media), gave a moving story about a hungry lion that made deals with and then betrayed (ate) these three cows. Then, right after that, he warned his

people and the rest of the world that a One World Government is in existence and that this government has been making decisions about his government and other Third World nations in "foreign capitals". He said that the Liberian presidency and government were an illusion and that these people were the ones who dictated his country's policies and future!

President Taylor further went on to claim that the rebels were armed by the US State Department and encouraged to destabilise his government in an effort to strip his country of its natural resources, namely its gold and diamonds.

At this point, the news station cut back to Atlanta, where a very startled female reporter took several seconds to compose herself and pretend nothing had been said. They quickly moved onto a more important story about Ben Affleck and J-Lo breaking up! Fox News had cut the audio to dude's speech with their coverage and had their reporter boldly proclaim this man was "a liar" and "a dictator" and thus should not be trusted. Nothing more was said about the man's allegations on the nightly

I'm curious if NEXUS is going to do a report on this man's claims, because this seems to be the first current world leader that is interested in exposing these traitors. Anyway, keep up the good work.

Sincerely.

Roger T. Braun, Illinois, USA

Mysteries of the Outback

Dear Duncan: Firstly, I would like to thank you very much for informing those of us that wish to be better informed. Like the pebble in the lake, the rings of knowledge you help sow do travel very far.

Secondly, I wish to thank and apologise to the wonderful people of Australia. In 2000 and 2001, I overstayed my visa. My

intent was not to break your laws; however, the laws of spirit and nature seemed more important at the time. I even lost track of time out in the bush. Again, thank you to all for a great experience.

And for the curious ones, on my way to the centre of the country for Aboriginal initiation. I had time to do a walkabout and I explored as much as I could. While walking about 50 kilometres northwest of Alice Springs, I came across many dead animals, especially birds. My visions showed funny energy lines extending from the ground, reaching all the way to the Moon. Perhaps this is part of the HAARP program—and, if so, it was functioning back then. I also discovered some bunkerlike doors that were positioned occasionally down the western MacDonnell Ranges.

One evening I came across a very large perenti. This beautiful albino animal looked like a large lizard and was approximately 12 feet in length. On another evening, a little hairy man grabbed my arm. This four-foot-high little fella was very intuitive and gentle, kind of childlike, but smelled very strong.

I had not heard stories of the perenti or the little hairy man until I started to tell my own experiences. Now I know that we humans don't know all of what is on this Earth plane, but with the right intent we can discover the rest of Gaia's mysteries.

Again, thank you Duncan and staff for your service to others. And thank you to the people, animals, plants and the land of Australia for the gifts.

Love and light, J.R., USA

Milled Uranium Warheads

Dear Duncan: Re NEXUS vol. 10, no. 5, Global News, "Were radioactive weapons used in Afghanistan?", below is an extract from the relevant part of

an article in the *Asian Times* of March 11:

"The only conclusion is that the allied forces are now possibly using *milled uranium ore* [my emphasis] in their warheads to maximize the effectiveness and strength of their weapons, as well as to mask the uranium, hoping that it may be discounted as part of any local natural deposits..."

Regards, Theo, Australia

Shift Work and Breast Cancer

Dear Editor: I am not sure if anyone has sent this to you yet. The British Health and Safety Executive (which we have problems with re monitoring base station emissions) commissioned a critical review of shift work and breast cancer. It concludes that there could be a "potential mechanism" between shift work and breast cancer due to altered light exposure (e.g., strip lighting) at night on levels of melatonin or other hormones that might affect cancer.

Professor Anthony Swerdlow, from the Institute of Cancer Research, who carried out the study, stated: "There is no doubt that exposure to artificial light decreases the level of melatonin..."

Having just read the report on the disappointing 60 Minutes Dr French program, I think the circumstances of the "shift work/breast cancer" study are relevant. Claims that shift work could lead to breast cancer first emerged in Britain in 1987, although subsequent studies have failed to establish a definitive link. With two million British women in shift work and at risk, this "official study" confirms that there is a link, after 16 years. With all this concern over brain tumours, I think there is a far greater cancer risk to women from mobile phone use/base station emissions.

With best wishes,

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